(d) Yes, Sir. The 'Permit to Fly' for microlight aircraft was issued to M/s. Agni Aerosports, Bangalore in 1995.

(e) Yes, Sir.

(f) The Dte. GCA has issued instructions to its Guwahati Office to grant requisite permission for these microlight aircraft to be test flown and accorded necessary facilities. The 'Permit to Fly' shall be issued after the receipt of security clearances.

Statement

Number of Flying Clubs/Organisations possessing Microlight Aircraft

Organisations	No. of Microlight Aircraft	
	Owned	Given by Aero Club of India
P. Vasavi Reddy & Syed Mohammed Ibrahim Jamsheed, Secunderabed, Andhra Pradesh	1	-
Hyderabad batteries Ltd, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh	1	-
Aero Sports Club of Assam, Guwahati, Assam	-	6
Agni Aero Sports Adventure Academy Pvt. Ltd., Bangalore, Karnataka	1	10
Raj Hamsa Ultralights (P) Ltd, Mysore, Karnataka	3	-
Thomas Meenathathil Thomas, Bangalore, Karnataka	1	-
Shri Chithira Aero Adventure Club, Trivandrum, Kerala.	-	3
Indian Hang Gliding Association, Pune, Maharashtra	1	-
Light Flyers Centre, Mumbai, Maharashtra	1	-
T.R. Chaudhary, Mumbai, Maharashtra	2	-
Vijaypat Singhania, Mumbai, Maharashtra	1	-
Hindustan Marketing & Adventuring Co. (P) Ltd, New Delhi	1	-
Micro Light Flyers Club, New Delhi	1	-
Coimbatore Training Aviation Academy, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu (Damaged during transit from Delhi)	-	3
Joel Koechlin, The Nilgiris Hang Gliding Centre, Ootacamand, Tamil Nadu	1	-
Narayansamy Soundarajan, Dindigul, Tamil Nadu	1	-

Amendment in Indian Telegraph Act

5230. DR. ASIM BALA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to amend the century old Indian Telegraph Act 1885, and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) For amendment of Indian Telegraph Act. Govt. had constituted a committee which has submitted its report. One of its recommendations envisaged setting up of a separate Telecom Regulatory Authority body. Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has since been constituted under Telecom Regulatory Authority of India Act 1997 (24 of 1997).